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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a reply to the restriction requirement dated May 7, 2001 in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant hereby requests a three-month extension of time to respond to the above restriction requirement.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	101	_   -	81	**	0	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$	0
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